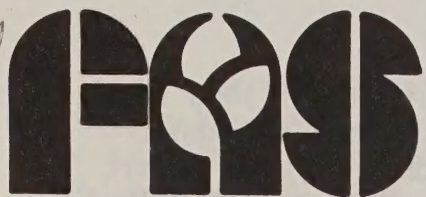


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WASHINGTON, November 9--The Foreign Agricultural Service of the U.S. Department of Agriculture today reported the following recent developments in U.S. agricultural trade:

U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS

U.S. agricultural exports in fiscal 1983 were valued at \$34.8 billion, down 11 percent from \$39.1 billion in fiscal 1982 and the smallest amount since fiscal 1979. The volume of U.S. agricultural exports in fiscal 1983 totaled 144.8 million tons, 13.1 million tons or 8 percent below the previous year and also the lowest level since fiscal 1979.

Weak economic conditions abroad, aggressive competitor credit and subsidy programs (especially for wheat), a strong U.S. dollar, a textile trade dispute with China and debt problems in many developing nations reduced the volume of U.S. agricultural exports in fiscal 1983. Lower exports of wheat and corn accounted for four-fifths of the decline in total fiscal 1983 export volume. Lower wheat and soybean export prices in fiscal 1983 also contributed to the drop in total U.S. export value.

The value of U.S. exports of grain and feed in fiscal 1983 dropped 14 percent to \$15.2 billion, primarily reflecting lower wheat and corn shipments and lower wheat prices.

Wheat export volume (excluding flour) in fiscal 1983 totaled 36.7 million tons, down 18 percent from the previous year, primarily reflecting lower exports to China and the Soviet Union. Wheat export unit values in fiscal 1983 dropped 3 percent to \$161 per ton, with the total value of U.S. wheat exports declining 21 percent to \$5.9 billion.

Coarse grain export volume in fiscal 1983 dropped 8 percent to 53.5 million tons, with corn volume off 5 percent to 47.1 million tons and sorghum shipments dropping 14 percent to 5.4 million tons. Fiscal 1983 corn prices rose marginally to \$121 per ton. The total value of U.S. coarse grain exports in fiscal 1983 dropped 7 percent to \$6.5 billion, with corn exports off 4 percent to \$5.7 billion.

Rice export volume in fiscal 1983 declined 22 percent to 2.3 million tons, and with slightly lower prices, total rice export value fell 24 percent to \$874 million.

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The value of U.S. oilseeds and product exports in fiscal 1983 totaled \$8.9 billion, down 9 percent from the previous year. Soybean export volume in fiscal 1983 dropped 4 percent to 24.5 million tons; soybean export prices dropped 6 percent to \$239 a ton, with total U.S. soybean export value down 9 percent to \$5.9 billion. Fiscal 1983 U.S. soybean meal exports rose 3 percent to 6.5 million tons, with value virtually unchanged at more than 1.4 billion.

U.S. raw cotton shipments in fiscal 1983 fell 24 percent to 5.2 million bales, with value off 21 percent to \$1.7 billion. U.S. unmanufactured tobacco exports fell 4 percent in volume to 245,000 tons, with value unchanged at nearly \$1.5 billion.

The value of U.S. exports of livestock and products in fiscal 1983 dropped 5 percent to \$3.0 billion, primarily due to lower volume and prices for tallow. Lower shipments of poultry meat and eggs resulted in a 22-percent drop in the value of fiscal 1983 poultry and products exports to \$451 million, while lower butter exports led to a 5-percent drop in dairy product exports to \$354 million.

U.S. horticultural exports in fiscal 1984 fell 6 percent to nearly \$2.7 billion, as most major categories except fresh fruit declined in volume. U.S. sugar and tropical product exports fell 16 percent to \$705 million.

U.S. AGRICULTURAL IMPORTS

During fiscal year 1983, U.S. agricultural imports totaled \$16.4 billion, up 6 percent from 1982. The increase was due primarily to a recovering U.S. economy and a strong dollar. Increases in imports during fiscal 1983 over levels of the previous year were observed for grains and feeds (up 19 percent), seeds (up 10 percent), tobacco (up 53 percent), poultry products (up 35 percent), dairy products (up 2 percent), livestock products (up 6 percent), and horticultural products (up 8 percent). Decreases were observed for oilseeds and products (down 4 percent) and cotton (down 31 percent). Imports of sugar and tropical products remained unchanged.

Horticultural and tropical product imports comprise 65 percent of total agricultural imports and was worth \$10.7 billion in fiscal 1983. Of all major horticultural and tropical product imports, only sugar came in lower in 1983 than the previous year. Sugar imports finished fiscal 1983 with a total of 2.6 million tons, down 26 percent from fiscal 1982. Lower import quotas were chiefly responsible. Higher import prices in fiscal 1983 partially offset the decline in volume, leaving the value of imports at \$979 million, off 17 percent from fiscal 1982.

Coffee, the leading import, was virtually unchanged from 1982 levels, finishing the year at \$2.8 billion on purchases of 1.06 million tons. Another major import, fruit and products, moved up by 9 percent over 1982 levels, totaling almost \$1.7 billion. Fruit juice imports accounted for the bulk of the fruit product increase with juice volume increasing by 25 percent and value by 23 percent.

Fresh/frozen red meat accounts for two-thirds of all U.S. dairy and livestock product imports. In fiscal 1983, fresh/frozen red meat imports were worth \$2 billion or 938,000 tons. This marks a 3-percent increase in value and a 4-percent rise in volume. The dominant red meat import is beef and veal, which showed no change in 1983 in either volume or value. However, fresh/frozen pork imports rose 14 percent to \$638 million and was thus responsible for the overall increase in red meat.

TRADE BALANCE

For the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 1983, the U.S. agricultural trade balance recorded a surplus of \$18.4 billion, down 23 percent from fiscal 1982 and down 31 percent from the fiscal 1981 record of \$26.6 billion.

U.S. AGRICULTURAL EXPORTS TO ALL DESTINATIONS
OCTOBER 1981 - SEPTEMBER 1983

		CUMULATIVE TO DATE				CURRENT MONTH (SEPTEMBER)			
COMMODITIES	UNIT	QUANTITY	VALUE	%	DIF	QUANTITY	VALUE	%	DIF
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GRAINS AND FEEDS									
WHEAT & WHEAT FLOUR	MT	45331,263	7,615,274	-16	-19	3614,660	3453,634	-4	-4
WHEAT	MT	44609,373	7,434,709	-18	-21	3565,019	3245,247	-9	-9
WHEAT FLOUR	MT	721,890	180,565	-120	+42	49,641	208,387	+320	+320
RICE	MT	2911,259	1,148,536	-22	-24	155,298	295,123	+90	+90
COARSE GRAINS	MT	57918,217	6,966,256	-8	-7	3364,951	4565,943	+36	+36
CORN	MT	49608,847	5,961,815	-5	-4	2723,124	3611,208	+33	+33
GRAIN SORGHUM	MT	6289,748	745,622	-14	-11	517,738	626,901	+21	+21
BARLEY	MT	1961,741	249,888	-52	-54	121,079	306,015	+153	+153
OATS	MT	17,893	2,382	-54	-50	2,873	959	-67	-67
RYE	MT	39,988	6,549	-41	-61	137	20,860	***	***
FEEDS & FODDERS 1/	MT	6006,863	998,995	+16	+15	404,703	606,020	+50	+50
PULSES	MT	910,704	547,262	-50	-65	34,686	31,052	-10	-10
BEANS, DRIED	MT	744,750	477,541	-62	-74	23,823	20,561	-14	-14
PEAS, DRIED	MT	94,374	33,748	+32	+20	5,506	5,391	-2	-2
LENTILS, ETC., DRI	MT	71,580	35,973	-28	-35	5,357	5,100	-5	-5
OTHER	XXX		338,760		-5				
TOTAL	XXX		17,615,083		-14				1095,048 1452,226 +33
OILSEEDS & PRODUCTS									
TOTAL OILSEEDS	MT	27281,310	7,167,237	-4	-11	1629,634	1533,756	-6	-6
SOYBEANS	MT	25477,119	6,478,933	-4	-9	1577,973	1465,697	-7	-7
SUNFLOWER SEED	MT	1542,369	451,071	-12	-25	34,812	50,035	+44	+44
PEANUTS	MT	207,885	219,013	+13	-15	11,037	15,493	+40	+40
OTHER OILSEEDS	MT	53,937	18,220	-14	-7	5,812	2,531	-56	-56
SOYBEAN MEAL	MT	6266,321	1,452,853	+3	---	213,473	356,079	+67	+67
OTHER MEAL	MT	288,603	45,107	-17	-17	9,944	25,007	+151	+151
TOTAL VEG. OILS	MT	1620,650	923,551	-4	-8	166,536	138,742	-17	-17
SOYBEAN OIL	MT	941,995	498,074	-3	-7	110,715	102,125	-8	-8
SUNFLOWER OIL	MT	102,736	58,727	+123	+98	3,891	16,691	+329	+329
COTTONSEED OIL	MT	384,427	211,019	-36	-38	31,039	9,361	-70	-70
OTHER VEG. OILS	MT	191,492	155,731	-15	-11	20,891	10,565	-49	-49
OTHER	XXX		141,852		-8				
TOTAL	XXX		9,730,599		-9				540,970 678,281 +25
SEEDS									
	MT	215,052	230,123	+7	+10	9,231	26,601	+188	+188
COTTON & LINTERS									
RAW COTTON 2/	STB	6831,512	2,141,109	-24	-21	370,125	339,175	-8	-8
LINTERS 2/	STB	314,740	21,420	+6	-6	34,714	11,333	-67	-67
SILK	STB	1,047	312	-74	-52	77		-100	-100
TOTAL	STB	7147,300	2,162,841	-22	-21	404,916	350,509	-13	-13
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COMMODITIES	UNIT	CUMULATIVE TO DATE		CURRENT MONTH (SEPTEMBER)	
		QUANTITY	VALUE	QUANTITY	VALUE
TOBACCO UNMFG.					
BURLEY.....	MT	43,314	296,958	1,055	7,400
FLUE-CURED.....	MT	158,619	1,026,158	7,846	48,911
FIRE-SUN CURED.....	MT	8,351	35,162	740	3,291
MARYLAND.....	MT	2,779	18,654	138	896
CIGAR.....	MT	665	9,384	36	425
OTHER LEAF.....	MT	6,109	58,675	688	7,820
STEMS.....	MT	34,633	36,251	1,392	2,234
TOTAL.....	MT	254,471	1,486,481	11,896	70,977
POULTRY PRODUCTS					
MEAT.....					
BROILER.....	MT	255,261	271,488	16,280	16,296
TURKEY.....	MT	26,581	38,796	1,591	2,461
OTHER POULTRY MEAT.....	MT	12,522	15,309	662	811
EGGS.....	DOZ	82,606	78,104	8,321	6,309
EGG PRODUCTS.....	MT	25,643	48,959	1,228	2,218
OTHER.....	XXX		126,312		10,179
TOTAL.....	XXX		578,967		38,274
DAIRY PRODUCTS					
NON-FAT DRY MILK.....	MT	104,211	55,719	12,774	6,359
CHEESE.....	MT	10,433	24,313	2,123	3,375
BUTTER.....	MT	90,398	155,857	2,885	4,295
OTHER.....	XXX		136,458		7,626
TOTAL.....	XXX		372,347		21,655
LIVESTOCK & PRODS.					
MEAT.....					
BEEF.....	MT	387,696	864,205	27,299	64,021
PORK.....	MT	81,673	344,390	7,391	32,760
VARIETY.....	MT	82,294	208,213	3,446	8,791
TALLOW.....	MT	223,729	311,602	16,462	22,470
LARD.....	MT	141,975	136,957	125,963	51,440
LIVE CATTLE.....	NO	51,618	43,131	3,141	1,808
CATTLE HIDES.....	NO	69,708	60,270	4,074	3,755
FURSKINS.....	XXX		677,922		48,679
OTHER.....	XXX		274,680		6,262
TOTAL.....	XXX		3,163,657		224,514

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HORTICULTURAL PROD.									
TREE NUTS.....	MT	165,583	387,046	-17	352,307	-9	13,042	11,054	-15
FRUIT.....	MT		1,354,598		1,339,988	-1			
FRESH, CITRUS.....	MT	801,218	398,127	+15	429,900	+8	30,481	42,513	+39
FRESH, NON-CITRUS.....	MT	611,190	410,096	--	406,855	-1	59,191	73,826	+25
CANNED.....	MT	117,561	107,657	-8	100,585	-7	8,428	8,660	+3
DRIED.....	MT	124,689	207,176	-9	180,510	-13	12,327	12,141	-2
JUICES.....	GAL	155,002	231,542	-1	222,138	-4	11,704	13,398	+14
VEGETABLES,FRESH.....	MT	815,313	331,238	-16	275,939	-17	29,251	35,589	+22
VEG., PREP., PRES.....	MT	343,106	321,026	-7	294,286	-8	23,104	26,348	+14
OTHER.....	XXX:		457,479		426,103	-7			
TOTAL.....	XXX:		2,851,387		2,688,624	-6			
SUGAR & TROP. PRODS.									
SUGAR & SWEETENERS.....	XXX:		173,973		107,568	-38			
COFFEE.....	MT	17,001	123,044	-26	101,005	-18	1,606	958	-40
FLAVORING SYRUPS.....	XXX:		243,980		193,998	-20			
OTHER.....	XXX:		297,054		302,173	+2			
TOTAL.....	XXX:		838,050		704,744	-16			
GRAND TOTAL.....									
	XXX:		39,094,957		34,776,175	-11			

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- 1/ INCLUDES BY-PRODUCTS.
- 2/ STATISTICAL BALE = 480 LBS.

SOURCE: U.S. CENSUS DATA (UNADJUSTED).

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COMMODITIES	UNIT	CUMULATIVE TO DATE				CURRENT MONTH (SEPTEMBER)			
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						DIF	DIF	DIF	DIF
GRAINS AND FEEDS									
WHEAT & PRODUCTS	MT	176,476	297,618	+69	208,759	245,579	+18	17,494	16,741
BARLEY & MALT	MT	250,438	181,388	-28	49,752	30,528	-39	9,589	12,917
OTH COARSE GRAINS 1/	MT	89,557	335,503	+275	17,030	40,546	+138	12,896	50,045
PULSES	MT	25,985	28,378	+9	18,747	14,992	-20	2,709	2,879
OTHER	XXX				179,494	233,654	+30		
TOTAL	XXX				473,783	565,299	+19		
OILSEEDS & PRODUCTS									
OILSEEDS	MT	143,327	153,922	+7	66,610	67,793	+2	8,942	17,635
COCONUT OIL	MT	435,596	401,379	-8	210,562	171,792	-18	22,550	34,023
PALM OIL	MT	98,695	140,081	+42	46,129	52,950	+15	9,150	11,266
OTHER VEG. OILS	MT	173,733	188,525	+9	144,742	149,764	+3	9,162	22,156
OTHER	MT	78,834	107,142	+36	35,183	39,179	+11	7,612	9,059
TOTAL	MT	930,185	991,048	+7	503,226	481,479	-4	57,415	94,140
SEEDS									
	MT	40,928	49,349	+21	77,106	84,896	+10	1,427	2,058
COTTON, LINTERS, SILK									
	MT	15,245	8,791	-42	21,799	15,090	-31	2,768	426
TOBACCO UNMFG.									
CIGARETTE LEAF	MT	85,864	91,914	+7	270,512	304,957	+13	8,148	7,570
CIGAR LEAF	MT	2,721	2,284	-16	17,731	17,437	-2	226	255
SCRAP & STEMS	MT	86,943	145,114	+67	191,348	411,190	+115	7,432	4,869
TOTAL	MT	175,528	239,312	+36	479,592	733,584	+53	15,805	12,694
POULTRY PRODUCTS									
FEATHERS & DOWN	MT	4,843	7,604	+57	55,358	71,784	+30	578	682
POULTRY MEAT	MT	777	1,643	+111	4,097	6,400	+56	82	312
EGGS & PRODUCTS	XXX				4,985	8,787	+76		
OTHER	XXX				3,023	3,546	+17		
TOTAL	XXX				67,463	90,517	+34		

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DAIRY PRODUCTS					
CHEESE, QUOTA.....	MT	107,222	111,320	+4	305,779
CHEESE, NON-QUOTA.....	MT	16,181	20,983	+30	62,455
CASEIN.....	MT	73,748	73,170	-1	212,460
OTHER.....	XXX				12,753
TOTAL.....	XXX				593,447
LIVESTOCK & PRODS.					
WOOL.....	MT	30,605	28,572	-7	135,884
MEAT.....	MT	901,639	937,904	+4	2,023,505
BEEF AND VEAL.....	MT	662,917	660,643	--	1,387,144
PORK.....	MT	212,208	250,550	+18	560,883
OTHER (EDIBLE).....	MT	26,514	26,711	+1	75,478
LIVE CATTLE.....	NO	814,974	1053,870	+29	250,044
OTHER LIVESTOCK.....	NO	267,396	493,503	+85	150,933
HIDES & SKINS.....	XXX				80,487
FURSKINS.....	XXX				130,849
OTHER.....	XXX				141,448
TOTAL.....	XXX				2,913,149
HORTICULTURAL PROD.					
FRUIT.....	MT	3205,985	3096,568	-3	1532,981
FRESH.....	MT	333,811	381,107	+14	831,338
PREP. & PRES.....	MT	1774,418	2216,628	+25	311,450
JUICES.....	LIT	1095,405	1170,294	+7	390,193
VEGETABLES, FR/FZ.....	MT	399,257	388,796	-3	523,694
VEG. PREP., PRES.....	MT				365,891
TREE NUTS.....	XXX				215,101
WINE.....	LIT	460,735	489,111	+6	779,931
OTHER ALCOHOLIC BEV.....	LIT	715,481	749,998	+5	471,515
NURSERY PRODUCTS.....	XXX				187,838
OTHER.....	XXX				255,071
TOTAL.....	XXX				4,332,022

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		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
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		DIF	DIF	DIF	DIF	DIF	DIF	DIF	DIF
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
SUGAR & TROP. PRODS.									
SUGAR, RAW & REFINED:	MT	3503,263	2598,599	-26		1,180,661	978,568	-17	
SWEETENERS.....	MT	664,216	980,471	+48		199,496	250,192	+25	
COCOA & PRODUCTS.....	MT	355,215	464,381	+31		708,571	828,569	+17	
COFFEE.....	MT	1058,874	1061,399	---		2,814,097	2,832,996	+1	
ESSENTIAL OILS.....	MT	6,897	9,995	+45		79,460	94,026	+18	
TEA.....	MT	80,317	77,877	-3		125,687	127,585	+2	
SPICES.....	MT	119,148	125,558	+5		168,910	180,992	+7	
FIBERS.....	MT	68,467	59,927	-12		47,699	38,715	-19	
RUBBER & ALLIED GUMS:	MT	651,374	653,962	---		577,683	582,003	+1	
OTHER.....	XXX					125,367	127,727	+2	
TOTAL.....	XXX					6,027,631	6,041,372	---	
GRAND TOTAL.....	XXX					15,489,219	16,375,482	+6	

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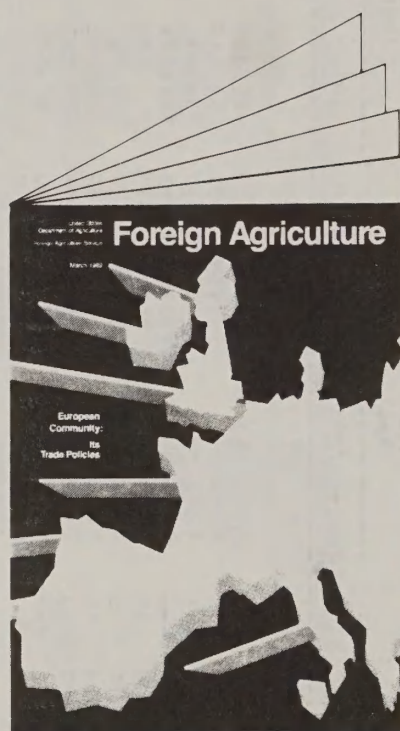
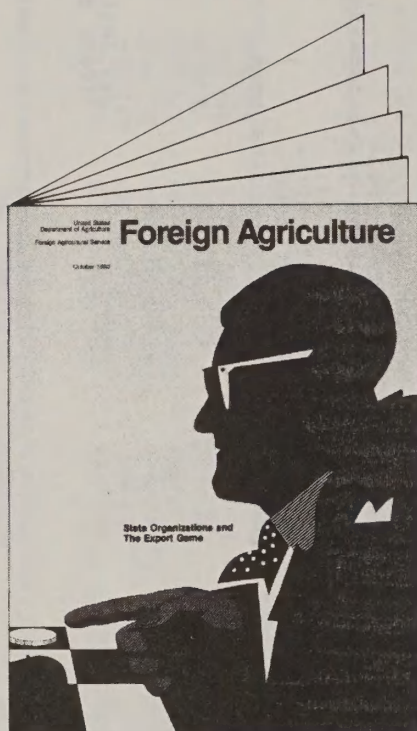
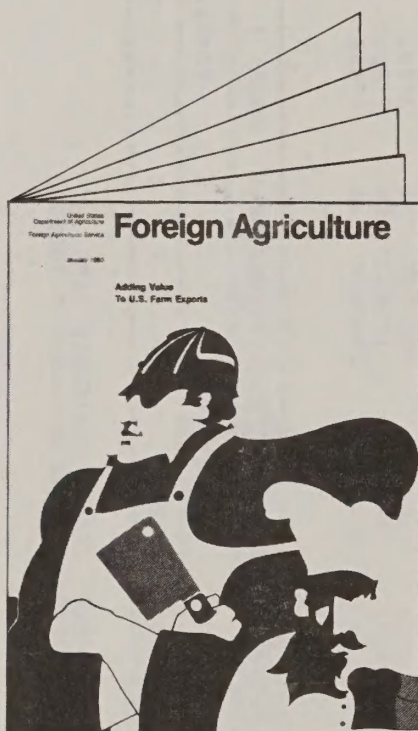
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